

The besieging of Berghen upon Zoom by the Prince of Parma the Monethes of September and October last 1588.



The Colone of Bergen upon Zoom, with her Pallises, provided with all kinde of ammunition, with about foure thousand English Soldiers, besides three or foure lustie companies of footmen, the Lord Willem van den Hout, the other, Capitaine Parkers: the third, Capitaine Baxes, besides other dutch soldiers and Doggers. 2 The gate called Steenberg-gate. 3 The Dam gate. 4 The Water gate. 5 The Del-gate. 6 The Court. 7 The Bagine poorte: About foure paces ago, the enimie came from underneath this gate into the towne, but were expelled by Monsieur de la garde, being slaine on the enimies side about 300 men. 8 The Marquis de la Roche. 9 A little Shantie close to the towne. 10 A secret sallie, called Hell gate. 11 The Fort called The Priestens cappe. 12 The Lord Shantie: This shantie the enimie thought to have gotten, by means of promising a summe of money unto an Ensigne bearer of the said Fort Maister Grimsone, who went into the Prince of Parma, and promised him to deliver unto him the Fort: And least the Prince should doubt any thing, the said Ensigne bearer brought him intelligence of it, prevented their purpose, and many of them were slaine, others drowned, besides certain Noble men taken prisoner. 13 The great Shantie on the South side: between these Shanties, the enimie made in the night a called Wilfords Fort, at Parmas Spectacles, which was made in the time the towne was besieged. 14 The Fort called, Scande salt, with his battery, which also was made in the night. 15 The Prince of Parma his Tent. 16 The Spaniards quarter. 17 The Marquis of Renti his quarter. 18 Our bastion on the North side. 19 The Colone came on a suddaine on the enimie, and charged them so fiercely, that they slew many of them, putting the rest to flight. 20 The Minnass quarter. 21 A mountain called Rysbergh. 22 The Marquis of Renti his quarter. 23 Our bastion on the North side. 24 The Colone came on a suddaine on the enimie, and charged them so fiercely, that they slew many of them, putting the rest to flight. 25 The water gate Eastward was Capitaine Morgans handspike. 26 Our ship of warre. 27 The Marquis of Renti his quarter. 28 Our bastion on the North side. 29 The Colone came on a suddaine on the enimie, and charged them so fiercely, that they slew many of them, putting the rest to flight. 30 Capitaine Parkers company. These three companies, of most valiant courage issued about the towne, running fiercely on the enimie.

By the Hower was Capitaine Drucis Bullmark. By the Mill Eastward was La garde Raeline. This is (gentle Reader) sheweth the state of Bergen upon Zoom, as it was besieged by the enimie in the monethes of September and October last 1588. And howe wonderfully the Lord hath delivered it, by means of sundrye and many abundance of rapine, and other infinite number of meanes more which the Lord hath to preferre his people, and to bring his enimies to confusion, as of late also we have seen the wonderful power of the Lord, by sundrye nighte Southward winds, whereby to confounde that nightie and gaudie dance of Spaine &c. It resteth therefore on our behalfe, considering on the Lordes side there are no meanes left whereby to helpe that was tender to him and shanties, all the dayes of our life, AMEN.